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House Resolution 755

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Public Health Week in Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, public health services are critical to improving the health and well-being of all
- 3 Georgians and insuring a brighter future for the Peach State; and
- 4 WHEREAS, public health services help prevent epidemics and the spread of disease,
- 5 encourage healthy behaviors, ensure food and water safety, respond to disasters and attacks,
- 6 assist communities in recovery efforts, and assure the quality and accessibility of health care;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, Public Health Week in Georgia raises awareness about the fundamental role that
- 9 state and local health departments and boards of health play in promoting public health; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Public Health Week in Georgia also recognizes the community and professional
- organizations, schools, and private health care providers that work together to effectively
- 12 plan and carry out vital public health services; and
- WHEREAS, encouraging healthy behaviors and eating habits is vital as nearly two-thirds of
- 14 adults are overweight and one in three children are at risk of becoming or currently
- 15 overweight; and
- 16 WHEREAS, this year's Public Health Week theme for our state, "Empowering Georgian's
- 17 to Live Stronger, Longer!" highlights the prevention of health problems by practicing healthy
- 18 living, early detection and screening to protect their health, and each Georgian developing
- 19 a plan to manage their health that will promote a higher quality of life in later years.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body recognize April 4-10, 2005, as Public Health Week in Georgia.